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for men on New Year's Day is a Cutaway or Prince Albert frock suit until 6 o'clock—after that FULL DRESS. No other style is permissible—nothing else will do—but the correct garments are easily obtained—plenty of them HERE—correct in every detail. The proper fabrics—properly tailored and proper fitting. Correct Hats. Correct Shoes. Proper Neckwear—Gloves—Shirts—Collars—Cuffs—and other haberdashery, too—and all at ONE-THIRD less than their real value—and what you will have to pay for them elsewhere.

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12 h and F Streets N. W.

## The Julius Lansburgh

Furniture and Carpet Co.

Is temporarily located

## THE EXCHANGE,

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opposite the old site of

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All parties indebted to the Company are requested to call at above number at once and settle their indebtedness. Owing to the total loss of our entire stock we are greatly in need of money and will appreciate your prompt settlement.

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## New Year's Clothes.

Would you like just a little more style and elegance in your evening dress? We can supply you at less cost than ever before—dress suits, shirts, gloves, collars, cuffs, everything.

LOEB & HIRSH,

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40 per cent off all clothing today.

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We offer you a warm Storm Coat for \$5.00—an easy-fitting, stylish-looking, long-wearing garment. Other merchants think \$12 a fair price for this Coat.

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## DR. HAINES' GOLDEN SPECIFIC CURES DRUNKENNESS

It can be given without the knowledge of the patient in coffee, tea or articles of food; will effect a permanent and speedy cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wreck. Golden Specific Free, to be had of Dr. H. Williams & Co., 208 & 210 N. W. Washington, D. C. GOLDEN SPECIFIC CO., Prop's, Cincinnati, O. Write for details. Book on Morphine Habit, mailed free.

## BONA FIDE CIRCULATION.

The circulation of The Times for the week ended December 25, 1896, was as follows:

Sunday, December 19.....	37,585
Monday, December 20.....	24,072
Tuesday, December 21.....	37,330
Wednesday, December 22.....	37,105
Thursday, December 23.....	37,130
Friday, December 24.....	35,242
<b>Total copies printed.....</b>	<b>245,585</b>
<b>Less damaged copies, copies unsold in office and copies returned from news stands and branch offices.....</b>	<b>22,764</b>
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>222,821</b>

I hereby certify that the above is a correct statement of circulation for the week ended December 25, 1896.

WILLIAM P. LEECH, Manager of Circulation. Advertisers are cordially invited to visit our press and mailing rooms at all times and verify the above statement.

## City Brevities

The excise board will have no more hearings on present arrangement, until January 5.

It has been decided at the city hall that the grand jury will present its final report next Monday morning.

Michael Thompson was vagrant last night by Police Officer of the Second precinct for begging on the street.

Several colored cold water advocates are arranging to organize a council of Colored Temperance Knights in the northeast section.

Felix Iardella, an Italian musician, was arrested last night by Police Officer Duval for riding his bike without a lamp. He left the lateral at No. 2.

The police made 63 arrests during the twenty-four hours ending at 9 o'clock this morning. There were 31 white prisoners, and 32 colored, while 8 were females.

It was announced by the owner that the new Smith crematory under construction in square 93 will be ready for the consumption of garbage on the 6th day of January.

The Christianship have addressed a letter of thanks to Mr. Hugo Worth, No. 927 Seventh street, who loaned them the piano used at their Christmas entertainment.

Capt. William H. Parker, a retired naval officer, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 1307 Thirteenth street northwest. The deceased was a Confederate war veteran.

Dr. W. J. McGee, of the Bureau of Ethnology, and Prof. Thomas Wilson, of the Smithsonian Institution, are in New York, attending a national meeting of anthropologists.

Archibald Morse, a colored boy, fell overboard from a sand scow, near Long Bridge, last evening, and received an icy bath. He was rescued by a white man named Robertson.

Police Lieut. Temple reported today five wires broken and hanging down across the roadway in front of No. 1216 Sixth street northwest, and in the alley in rear of No. 1206 on the same street.

An X-ray photograph of a man's injured wrist has been filed at the Pension Office in support of a claim. The applicant in whose favor the evidence is filed is Abraham Silverstein, of New York City.

Rev. John McGovern, of the Catholic University, assisted last night at the marriage ceremony at Lancaster, Pa., of his cousin, Miss Margaret Kelly, and Mr. J. Roy Brown, a prominent attorney of that place.

An inventory filed yesterday of the estate of the late George Y. Coffin shows a total of \$25,117.78, which includes personal property amounting to \$3,000 and about \$1,000 in cash. The balance is represented by collateral security.

The concrete roadways about town were covered with ice this morning and many horses slipped and fell as a result. An animal attached to one of the metal stop carts had a bad fall at Fifth and I streets northwest and was severely injured.

Major Moore received two donations for the poor last evening: Lansburgh & Brown six pairs of men's heavy woolen drawers, and an unknown, who signed himself "John McGovern," sent \$2. They were turned over to Chief Clerk Sylvester for distribution.

A passenger coach on the Pennsylvania Railroad, running between the corner of Fifth and K streets southeast this morning, and the platform was badly damaged by contact with the forward car. Considerable delay was occasioned by the accident.

The heavy frost occasioned a change in the route of the Avenue Hercules, on Capitol Hill, the change being from the asphalt driveway to B street. It was impossible for the horses to keep their feet on the smooth ice, and they were driven over the cobblestones.

The next regular examination of candidates for physicians' certificates under the new law will be held on the second Thursday in January, two weeks from today. The applications on file yesterday evening, when a meeting of the board of medical supervisors was held, numbered three.

H. L. Allen, a Baltimore and Ohio fireman, who lives at No. 300 Massachusetts avenue northeast, was hurt last night at Delaware avenue and E street northeast, by being struck by an engine. He was removed to his home, where his wounds were dressed. His injuries are not serious.

Colonel L. P. Wright, chairman of the public comfort committee for the inauguration, has on his desk a photograph of the executive committee who prepared for the ceremonies when Harrison came into office. Four of the number have died in the intervening eight years. They are Drs. H. L. Mott and E. Adams, Capt. George E. Lenon and Mr. Kurtz Johnson.

BY THE FLIP OF A COIN. Iron Hill and Barksdale Tracks Will Alternate Dates.

Iron Hill, Md., Dec. 31.—After weeks of wrangling and fiery talk, the rival Maryland racing associations got together yesterday, and by the toss of a coin decided the much-vexed question of which should give the first meeting in 1897.

Barksdale won, and will open tomorrow for a run of fifteen days. Then Iron Hill will race for an equal length of time, when Barksdale will resume, one of the terms of the agreement being that the associations are to race fifteen days, turn about.

There was a marked decrease in the attendance today, while nine bookmakers, a falling off of three, held sway in the ring. The racing was up to the average, with favorites winning four out of the five events. The only decided upset was in the second race, when Clever Up, a 10 to 1 chance, led from the start, and won easily.

There was a meeting of the horsemen at Elkton last night, when the question of the amount of purses was considered.

Too Hilarious for the Open Air. Four "Swampoodle" went out as far as Elkington last night, drank freely of the amber-bred cordial and raised a fog. Policemen Evans, Pearson and Kenney, of No. 8, ran across them just as the hilarity had reached high G, and placed the crowd under arrest. On the way to the station one after another took turns in attempting to jump out, but they were safely landed behind the bars after a tussle. Morris Correns, William Craven, Thomas Mullen and Thomas McMahon were the names of the quartet, and none of them is a stranger to the bluecoats.

## PIGS' FEET MUST PAY TAX

Judge Kimball's Ruling in the Case of Cook Shops.

### LICENSE ALWAYS REQUIRED

Judge Kimball Replies to a Criticism Upon His Judicial Action Made by the Secretary of the Humane Society—No Violation of Law to Carry a Beer Glass.

After this, according to Judge Kimball's ruling, any place where customers are served on the premises, and when such places have the fixtures and paraphernalia of cooking, the proprietor must pay the regular eating-house license of \$25 per annum.

The test of the law was made in the case of Keith Sutherland, who has conducted an eating house for seven years at No. 1114 E street northwest, where he retails appetizing pigs' feet and the delectable confections which are only found in a hoghead. Sutherland appeared in court today and said he was not aware his business required a license.

The judge read the regulations and accepted Sutherland's personal bonds to get a license, which he did, in a short time, returning to court and showing it to his honor.

"I never knew before, sir," said Sutherland to the judge, "what a good thing this was to get," as he waved the paper.

"You think it is a good thing, do you?" said Prosecutor Pugh. "Then push it along."

This decision will play havoc with the cook shops that thrive and exist in the alleys throughout the city, for, in the language of the law, it says peremptorily that before engaging in the business of keeping a restaurant, to wit: A place where meals and refreshments are served, excepting liquors, etc., a license must be secured first. This will compel all the "feed joints" to pay \$25 or close business.

Judge Kimball took occasion this morning to reply to an attack made on him some days ago in a letter to a newspaper written by the secretary of the Humane Society, commenting on the court's action in discussing cases brought before him by the society's agents, and condemning his honor for not imposing severer fines when he did adjudge the defendants guilty.

Today Judge Kimball had William S. Kallinger, superintendent of the Belt line, before Judge Kimball for cruelly treating one of the horses of the company in working him in a car. Mr. Kallinger said the horse's front hoofs were interfering or knocking against each other, and it was owing to the fact, the judge being in a bloody condition.

Mr. Kallinger said the horse had been in the stable eight days and was out for the first time yesterday. He explained to the judge, and will continue to do so, "the court's satisfaction in the injury to the horse's feet was owing to defective shoeing, which had not been noticed by the driver."

In dismissing the case Judge Kimball referred to the letter mentioned, and said the criticism was both unjust and unwarranted, his honor suggesting that the society would be better informed if they would attend some of the court proceedings and see the lack of proof produced by their agents.

"When there is not sufficient proof I cannot hold the defendant," declared the judge, "and will continue to do so."

"And if your honor will allow me," said Mr. Todd, superintendent of the Eckington line, "in one case the secretary dwelt on in his letter the society's own veterinarians testified here the horse was not unfit for work."

"Yes, I remember that," said his honor, directing that the defendant's collateral be returned.

Thosman Conroy considered it a high offense for a woman to walk down a street with a beer glass in her hand, for on that point he dwelt emphatically in testifying this afternoon against Carrie Bolden, a comely colored girl, charged with vagrancy, although she made the court believe at least that she was a working girl.

"Yes, 'anney," said Conroy, "this is Karry Bolden, a puren of evil-do and fame."

"Well, sir," said his honor, looking at Conroy as if he disapproved of the outburst of his mistake, "what has she been doing?"

"She been gittin' drunk for wan ting," answered Mr. Conroy, tucking his thumbs away in his patent leather belt, as if his reply was an elegant sufficiency.

"How many times since the date charged in the information," said the judge.

"Every day, yer honor," said Conroy emphatically, "an' last night she was cussin' 'an' swearin'."

Carrie said she had not been arrested for two years, and had a good service place.

"I was comin' along Twenty-second street," she solemnly told the court, "when Mister Conroy grabbed me 'an' took me to the box, 'an' when the patrol wagon come to throw me in there had enough to break my head," and she felt a discolored swelling over her eye.

"Verbaner," said Conroy stepping swiftly to the judge's desk, "she had a beer glass in her hand."

"Indeed," and his honor gazed in extreme disapproval at Conroy. "I don't know that to carry a beer glass is a crime. It would make no difference if she had a bucket. The clerk can take her bonds."

JEWELRY WAS STOLEN. Robbery at Dr. Harris' Residence on Washington Heights.

There was a jewelry robbery committed at the residence of Dr. C. M. R. Harris, on Kalorama avenue, Washington Heights, between 5 and 9 o'clock Monday night, and the case was reported to police headquarters and entered upon the record of robberies today.

An upper room in the house was entered and the thieves succeeded in getting away with a gentleman's scarf, pin, necklace, silver watch, gold ring, stick pin, necktie, pin with blue set, and a refer.

Burglars entered the office of the Davis Coal and Coke Company, First and M streets northwest, by forcing the fastenings of a window. They ransacked the place looking for money, but did not succeed in finding any. The housebreakers did not go away empty-handed, but carried with them an alarm clock, one dozen lead pencils, an eraser, paperweight and box of pens.

Mr. L. A. Shimp, residing at No. 150 E street northeast, reports stolen from her house yesterday a pocketbook containing \$2.40.

A velvet cape, the property of Miss Fannie O'Brien, of No. 512 Thirteenth street northwest, was stolen by a sacrilegious thief while she was attending services at St. Paul's Church.

Blaze at Mount Pleasant. Flames broke out about 8:15 o'clock last night in the eaves of a large frame house, No. 1472 Park street, Mount Pleasant, occupied by Mr. J. L. Prosie and family, and damaged the property and furnishings to the extent of \$1,500 before the department succeeded in extinguishing them. How the fire originated could not be learned, and in lieu of something better, spontaneous combustion will bear the blame. The property is owned by Davidson & Co., and is fully insured.

## A hot time.

Weather may not be so terribly warm but you need a warm hat like this just the same because we don't ordinarily sell clothing at these Climate Auction Sale prices. Here are three good samples:

Men's Suits. Made in the most serviceable Scotch goods, in stylish materials—a suit that does not need to be replaced for less than \$20 or \$25. \$2.50

Children's Suits. Mothers, bring in the little chaps—do bring in the little chaps—we'll surprise you with our suit for 83c.

Men's Overcoats. In handsome Oxford gray meltons, nicely and warmly lined with cashmere. They're worth \$20 and \$25. \$2.00

H. Friedlander & Bro. Corner 9th and E Sts. N. W.

## NEW RAPID TRANSIT LINE

Maryland and Washington Electric Road Nearly Finished.

COMPLETED BY FEBRUARY 1

Large Force of Men at Work and Construction Being Rapidly Pushed—Overhead Trolley to Be Employed Beyond District Line—Compressed Air Motor in the City.

The promoters of the new Maryland and Washington Electric railway, connecting this city with Baltimore, are just now in a position where they can see the beginning of the end of the work of constructing the line.

The building of the road has been in progress for over a year, and even now no one would venture to name the exact date of completion, but Receiver Schoepf, states that his section, from the District line to the city terminus, will be in readiness, unless some unforeseen difficulty arises, about February 1.

Big Force at Work. Contractor Maurice F. Taity, who is constructing the track and erecting the poles between the present terminus of the electric road and the District line is daily working a large force of men upon the extension, and is also of the opinion that this division of the road will be fully completed and in running order in about one month from January 1.

The motive power which will propel the cars will, of course, be electricity, to be furnished from the present power house of the Eckington line. The plant is thought to be fully large enough and capable of operating the division by the application of the dynamo now in use, without any difficulty, so that there will be no delay on that score.

The overhead trolley will be used from the city boundary to the end of the division, the same as now on the Eckington line, as well as on the remainder of the road through Maryland, when that portion of the road shall have been completed.

City Motive Power. What shall be the motive power of the cars to be run inside the city limits in order that the old horse cars may be abandoned and relegated to the past is, however, another question which has been confronting the management for some time. The decision on this point must be made as soon as possible, and the plan proposed is to use compressed air system in regard with high favor, and will without doubt be the plan adopted, although final arrangements are still incomplete.

The time limit stated in the act which passed Congress granting the franchise was placed at December 10 last, when a test should have been made of the compressed-air road through Maryland, when that portion of the road shall have been completed.

Provisions of the Bill. The measure also stipulates the time when the road shall be fully equipped with this system, placing the limit at July 1, 1898, and long before that time, it is believed, the system will be in full operation.

It is probable that favorable action will be had upon the bill at this session, as it meets with little or no difficulty in passing the House. Mr. Schoepf and others interested in the project have secured several visits New York city and made an inspection of the system there which is said to be in use with excellent success, on the Third and Lenox avenue lines, and they express themselves as being greatly pleased with its workings, and the belief that the compressed-air motors can be used with equally as good results here.

The Third and Lenox Avenue roads have been operating with the air motor now for a period of about six months, and in spite of the fact that the system was regarded only with scant favor at first, its success has fully proven its practicability and usefulness.

Officials Indorse It. The officers of the New York company speak in the highest terms of the new motive power, and everything seems to recommend the plan to the Eckington line, and before spring it is expected that the test will be made.

Arrangements are now in progress with the Westinghouse Company for the construction of the cars, and as soon as one is completed and sent here the experiment will be made.

In Baltimore the overhead trolley wire is permitted, and is in operation on several lines, so that this question does not arise in relation to the terminus of the Columbia and Maryland in that city. A conference of some of the directors of the board was held in Baltimore Tuesday in relation to matters pertaining to the road, and the work will be pushed rapidly.

Lasker Far Ahead. Moscow, Dec. 31.—The fifteenth game of the championship chess match between Lasker and Steinitz, a queen's gambit declined, was played yesterday evening in this city, and resulted in a draw after 36 moves. Present score: Lasker, 8; Steinitz, 2; drawn, 5.

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NEWS FROM THE FORCE. There were forty-six policemen absent from duty yesterday—thirty-one on the sick list, fourteen absent with leave, and one absent without leave.

Patrolman Reynolds, of the Sixth, has returned to duty, after many weeks' absence, owing to a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Private O. B. Coffin was reported absent without leave by Lieut. Gessford, of the Eighth, yesterday.

Patrolmen C. R. Peyton and H. R. Warren, of the First, and W. E. Vermillion, of the Fifth, are the latest additions to the sick list.

Policemen Dennis Loftis, of the First; C. W. Hutchinson, of the Fourth; and John Daily, of the Fifth, are on leave.

There were no "on leaves" or sick at Lieut. Kelly's station yesterday. The sick list at Lieut. Vernon's station was also clear, and none of Lieut. Swindell's men were on leave.

Johnston and Morrison Matched. West Superior, Wis., Dec. 31.—John S. Johnston, champion fast skater of the world, and V. M. Morrison, champion of Canada, have been matched for a two-mile race at the rink of the Superior Curling Association, on Sunday, January 10.

Reduced Rates on Pennsylvania Railroad. The passenger department announces the sale of special excursion tickets from Washington December 24, 25 and 31, and January 1, 1897, inclusive, to points and at rates as follows: Baltimore, Md., \$1.60; Wilmington, Del., \$4.34; Chester, Pa., \$4.90; Philadelphia, Pa., \$5.34.

The King of Pills is Beecham's—BEECHAM'S.

Come and see the new 1897 models.

## \$45,700.00 CAME TO WASHINGTON

yesterday from Hartford as a part payment on the property purchased by us on 14th Street between H and I Streets. Here will be speedily erected one of the finest bicycle establishments in America—a fitting home for the king among wheels—the Columbia. 1897 will be more than ever a "Columbia" year judging by the advance orders.

POPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, J. Hart Brittain, Local Manager, 422 Pennsylvania Avenue, COLUMBIA BICYCLE ACADEMY, 12,600 feet space, 2nd and P Streets Northwest.

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Tickets to be sold December 24, 25 and 31 and January 1. Good for return passage until January 4, 1897, inclusive.

For further information apply at Ticket Office or to

COLIN STEEDS, Pass. Agt. Southeastern District, 15th and G Sts.

Any Overcoating in our house we shall make to Great Offer. ishly—to fit perfectly for—\$14. They're worth \$18, \$22, \$25 and \$30. MERTZ & MERTZ, NEW ERA TAILORS, 906 F.

## SOMETHING WAS DONE FOR HIM.

Deputy Sanitary Officer Amies Had a Surprise for a Hobo. A hobo, and muscular tramp entered the sanitary office at police headquarters yesterday afternoon, and in a hoarse, hoarse voice demanded that something be done for him forthwith. The fellow wore a badly damaged suit of "hand-out" clothes and an evil look in his bloodshot eyes.

Deputy Sanitary Officer Will Amies was on duty. In a pleasant tone he asked: "What can I do for you?"

"You kin give me a ticket to Phillie. See? And I want it quick."

Mr. Amies commenced to explain that the allowance of money for the day had been exhausted by the many calls for free railroad tickets, when the impatient tramp burst out:

"Well, I kin here ter get something done fer me by de city of Washington, 'an' here I stays until it is done."

With this remark, in snarling tones, he sat down on an office chair, threw back his head and outstretched his legs as though prepared to remain in the sanitary office for an indefinite period.

"That fellow's got the nerve of a team of lions to try to hold up police headquarters," whispered a messenger boy who had entered the room during the conversation.

"So you are going to stay right here until something is done for you, eh?" said Deputy Amies, leaving his desk and coming from behind the railing.

"Dat's it. You've struck de ten-penny nail on de head."

"Then you shall be accommodated," replied the muscular deputy; "I'll do something for you."

There came a basaloid rush at the hobo, seized him by the scruff of the neck and the slack section of his trousers, and then with a whizz and a whirr he was rushed out of the door, along the hallway and out of the rear door, where he was dropped in a heap into the alley.

The bundle of greasy garments slowly straightened up after the fall, a surprised look took the place of the bulldogging expression which had been on the hobo's face, and as he slowly meandered out of the alley the fellow muttered:

"Dis is a h— of a town fer charity."

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